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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent.

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CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.

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The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed  
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For Sale.

## LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

BEG to announce that they have added to their Business A PIANO TUNING and  
REPAIRING DEPARTMENT, under the Superintendence of Mr DOUGLAS  
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they are now prepared to receive Orders which shall be carefully and efficiently  
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DEAR SHELL HATS for the RACES.  
New Shapes in Chantilly HATS.

LATEST NOVELTIES in SCARFS,  
SHIRTS with COLLARS attached,  
Cardigan JACKETS.

FRENCH KID GLOVES, 2 Buttons.  
Single and Double SOLE BOOTS.

GAN's French SHOES.

Waterproof SHEETING for Racing  
CARRIAGES.

Waterproof COATS.

Automobile UMBRELLAS.

Turkish TOWELS.

Bath BLANKETS.

New Moerschau PIPEs.

Cors's Golden Cloud TOBACCO.

Persian Cigarette TOBACCO.

BIRD'S EYE and Gold Leaf TOBACCO.

Jeffers' Tennis BATS, BALLS and  
PRESSES.

Playing CARDS. Whist MARKERS.

Electro-plated TELESCOPES.

Maltese CIGARETTES.

Carriage LAMPS. Billiard BALLS.

QUOTIS. VALISES. Iron and Brass BEDSTEADS.

The New Wire Spring MATTRESSES.

Coir DOOR MATS.

Spirit FLASKS. Household SCALES.

Merino and Cashmere SOCKS, and UNDERSHIRTS.

Royal Irish Constabulary REVOLVERS.

Foster's Celebrated Bottled ALE and STOUT.

SACOCHE'S SHERRIES.

Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

Intimations.

## THE COSMOPOLITAN DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

REGISTERED UNDER THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE 1856,  
AND THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE 1877.

CAPITAL \$500,000, DIVIDED INTO  
5,000 SHARES of \$100 EACH  
(FULLY PAID UP).

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THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

Solicitors.

Messrs BRERETON and WOTTON.

This Company has been formed for the purpose of acquiring from the Proprietors of the COSMOPOLITAN DOCK, their Dock and the Ground and Premises belonging thereto, with the Plant, Machinery, and Stock-in-Trade of the aforesaid, and the Goods and Goodwill thereof, and of carrying on the Business of Shipwrights and Engineers in the Colony of Hongkong. For this purpose an absolute Assignment dated the 31st day of January, 1880, has been entered into by Messrs WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, FRANK BLACKWELL FORBES, and SAMUEL WYLLYS FOMEROY, Junior, JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Junior, FREDERIC DELANO HITCH, HENRY DE COURCY FORBES, and CHARLES VINCENT SMITH, Merchants, trading as RUSSELL & Co., as Trustees of William BOLTON SPRAITT, ANDREW JOHNSTON, and NELSON SPRAITT, the owners of the said COSMOPOLITAN DOCK, with Messrs KWOK ACEHONG, WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, CHARLES VINCENT SMITH, and JOSE ANTONIO JOSE REMEDIOS, Directors of the said Company, for the purchase of all the premises mentioned, without further confirmation, for the price or sum of \$500,000, subject to the condition that if the Stock-in-Trade consisting of Wood and Iron be not valued by a competent valuator at a sum less than \$100,000, the said sum of \$500,000 shall stand accordingly.

The Cosmopolitan Dock is of sufficient dimensions to dock the largest Vessel afloat; it and the Plant and Machinery belonging thereto are now in perfect order.

The Business of Building, Docking, Making, and Repairing Vessels is in full operation, so that the Company can at once enter upon active business, which it is expected will be highly remunerative.

The Business of the Company will be conducted by Messrs RUSSELL & Co., as General Agents, assisted by a Board of Directors.

About Four Thousand Shares have been already taken up, and it is intended that the Capital will be called up as follows:—

\$75 per share on allotment.

\$25 per share on the 1st day of May, 1880.

All unpaid Capital after that date shall bear interest at 12 per cent. per annum.

Application for Shares, which shall be in the annexed form, will be received by the Agents, up to the 15th day of April, 1880.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Liquidators.

## HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
IN LIQUIDATION.

Shanghai, January 3, 1880.

A N ELEVENTH RETURN OF CAPITAL  
at the Rate of TWO TAELS per  
SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of  
Record on 12th January, Payable at the  
Office of the Liquidators, on MON-  
DAY, 19th January.

Warrants will then be delivered by the  
Undersigned to Shareholders, or their  
lawful representatives, on presentation of  
Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 19th  
January, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Liquidators.

## For Sale.

**MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.,**  
HAVE JUST LANDED FROM  
THE AMERICAN MAIL

THE following STORES, in  
Excellent Condition:-

Fresh Roll BUTTER.  
Finest Comb HONEY, in Bottles.  
Do. Do.

Dried Sliced Datto.  
Boneless CODFISH.

George's Bank Do.

Finest Eastern Factory CREAM CHEESE.

Mild California Do.

Smoked SALMON.

Family Mess BEANS, in 25 lbs. bags.

Oregon Pickled OX TONGUES, very fine.

Family PORK, in 25 lbs. bags.

American HAMS.

Do. BACON.

CORNMEAL, HOMINY, CRACKED

WHEAT.

OATMEAL, RYE FLOUR, BUCK-

WHEAT FLOUR.

CORN BROOMS, CORN WISPS.

Table FRUITS, CRANBERRIES, APRIL-

COTS, PEACHES.

APPLE SAUCE, CRANBERRY SAUCE.

OYSTERS, LOBSTERS, SALMON.

CLAMS.

PEA NUTS, PECAN NUTS, BRAZIL

NUTS.

CREAM OF TARTAR, SALERATUS.

Merritt's Eastern CIDER.

Winthrop's Celebrated GREEN CORN.

LIMA BEANS, SUCOTASH, SUGAR

PEAS.

CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER

OAKES.

MILK BISCUITS.

ALPHABET BISCUITS.

OYSTER BISCUITS.

WAFFLE BISCUITS.

SODA BISCUITS.

Ex S.S. "GLENFINLAS," and Late

Arrivals.

SMYRNA FIGS.

Muscadet BLOOM RAISINS.

JORDAN ALMONDS.

Cooking and Table PRUNES.

Pudding RAISINS and CURRANTS.

Candles PEEL.

MINCEMEAT in 1-lb. tins.

VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.

CARAWAY SEEDS.

SCHWEITZER'S COCOATINA.

HAM TONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE

WESTPHALIAN, BOLONA, OXFORD, and

TAUFFEL SAUSAGES.

GAME PIES.

Potted MEATS.

Prime Yorkshire HAMS.

Prime Wiltshire BACON in Tins & Canvas.

OX-TONGUES in JELLY.

TRUFFLES.

Champagne, &c.

Heidsieck & Co.'s MONOPOLY, Pints

and Quarts.

Adolphe Collin's BOUZY CABINET.

Mme. (Jules) CHAMPAGNE, Pints and

Quarts.

Neyen's (Boden) BOUZY, Pts. and Qts.

CHARLES HEIDSECK'S WHITE SEAL,

Pints and Quarts.

VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN, Pints

and Quarts.

Thophile Roederer & Co.'s VEVZENAY

MOUSSEUX, Pints and Quarts.

Krug's CHAMPAGNE, Pints and Quarts.

PERRIER JOUET in Quarts.

Claret.

THE BEUF (CHATEAU), Pints and Quarts.

CHATEAU LAROSE (CUCHE & AVER'S),

Pints and Quarts.

CHATEAU LAFITE, Pints and Quarts.

IRIS GRAVES, Pints and Quarts.

BREAKFAST CLARET, Pints & Quarts.

OLD INVALID CLARET.

St. JULIEN, &c., &c.

Burgundy, Hock, Sherries, &c.

Chambord, Chablis (white), Liebfraumilch,

Hockheimer, Niersteiner, Steinberger

Cabinet, Rudeheimer Berg, Konig-

lich Victoria Berg, Chateau

Yquem, Grand Vic, Haut

Sauterne, Marais Sac-

ccone's Palo Dry White Seal

Sherry, Yellow Seal Amontillado

Sherry, Cutler Palmer and Company's

Sherry, Invalid Port (1848), Hunt's Port.

Brandy, Whisky, Liqueurs, &c.

1, 2 and 3-star Hennessy's Brandy, La

Grande Marque Brandy, Cutler Palmer

& Co.'s Brandy, Ronay Guillot &

Co., Brandy, 1 to 4 stars;

Fine Old Bourbon Whisky, highly recom-

mended, Kinahan's Li, Irish Whisky,

Jameson's Irish Whisky, Royal

Glenclere Whisky;

AVH Gin, Swan's Board & Co.'s Old Tom

Gin; La Grande Chartreuse, Green

and Yellow, Maraschino de Zar,

Curaçao, Pta. & Qts.; Ango-

stura, Boker's and Orange

Bitter, &c., &c., &c.

BASS' ALE, bottled by CAMERON & SAW-

DAYNE, Pints and Quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by H. & J.

BURKE, Pints and Quarts.

PILSENER BEER, in Quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the

Gallon.

SHREWS MILWAUKEE BEER.

BUDWEISER BEER.

HOYA BEER.

ALSTON ALE.

BLATT MILWAUKEE BEER.

ALE and PORTER, in Bulk, (Bbls. and

Kilderkins).

Ship's STORES of every description.

Hemp and Cotton CANVAS.

Russian, Manila, and WIRE ROPE.

BAIL-MAKING and RIGGING promptly

executed.

Specially Selected CIGARS.

Prized CHEEPOSES.

Caribe CHEEPOSES.

Edwards CIGARS.

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Arcturus CIGARS.

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Choice No. 1 Fortin CIGARS in Boxes

of 100.

Choice No. 3 Melisg CHEEPOSES.

Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.

New Season's PRESENT TEA, in 5 and

10 Ounce Boxes.

Hongkong, January 12, 1880.

## Mails.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

THE S.S. NIIGATA MARU, Captain

WALKER, due here on or about the

2nd February, will be despatched as above on

SATURDAY, the 7th Feb., at Day-

light.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at

the Office up to 6 p.m. of 6th February.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2

Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board

before delivery is taken, otherwise they

will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To KOBE.....Cabin \$60. Steerage \$15.

" YOKOHAMA & { Do. \$75. Do. \$20.

NIIGATA. } Do. \$100.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN

PASSENGERS.

CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasaki

will be transported to the Shanghai Mail

Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the

Company's Offices, No. 6, Queen's Road

CENTRAL.

Hongkong, January 24, 1880.

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## Insurances.

SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

FIRE AND LIFE.

INSURANCES against FIRE granted at

Current Rates. Considerable Reduc-

tion in Premium for LIFE Insurance in

China.

MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 2, 1870.

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SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

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ing the days of exhibition, and it is proposed to light up the Rooms after dark, and add, if possible, instrumental accompaniment. As it is proposed to devote the surplus funds towards the City Hall, and as the price of admission will be \$1, those who visit the Show will probably be gainers by becoming members of the Hongkong Horticultural Society, as they are sure to go many times to the Exhibition while it is open and the subscription includes admission for the whole time.

We are informed that it is in contemplation by the military authorities to abandon the Rifle Range at Kowloon and to construct one for the use of the troops somewhere between the Wan Chai Gap and the village of Aberdeen, but the precise site has not yet been determined upon. A design has been drawn up here and approved by the War Office, for the erection of the necessary barracks accommodation required, and the construction of a portion of the scheme has been commenced. The buildings now in hand will accommodate six officers and about 80 N. C. officers and men, with the usual accessories attached. The site chosen is on a large plateau on the S. E. of Mount Gough, overlooking the village and harbour of Aberdeen, and has a wide and extensive prospect seawards. The barracks will serve a twofold purpose—besides accommodating the men at target practice during the shooting season, it will be utilized as a sanatorium in the hot weather, and with its high elevation (about 900 feet above the sea level) and commanding sea view, should afford a pleasant and agreeable change of residence for convalescents.

The steamship *Brisbane* from Sydney, with the Australian mails of 27th December last, ran upon a coral reef in the Arafura Sea about 9 o'clock on the night of the 11th January, where she remained for nearly four days. On the morning after grounding it was found that about 100 feet of her length was firmly fixed on the reef, and on the tide receding her bows were a considerable height above the rock. About 500 tons of cargo were thrown overboard, and every exertion was made to lighten the vessel and get her afloat, which was not accomplished till the morning of the 15th Jan. The nearest port was Port Darwin; and the second officer Mr J. C. Arthur, ventured off in a life boat for assistance. On the same day the *Brisbane* got off the reef she picked up the boat at a distance of 150 miles on her journey, having experienced very bad weather, a tremendous sea, and a stiff N. W. wind blowing. The steamer reached Singapore on the 23rd January, where she was at once docked for repair, which will probably occupy a period of about three weeks. The *Kemure Castle* arrived here last evening bringing on the *Brisbane's* mail and passengers from Singapore. We are informed that the officers and crew are intent making a suitable recognition of the services to Mr Arthur and his crew, in venturing on such a long distance, and in such weather, to procure relief.

The Inquest, formally opened at the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday last, before the Coroners C. V. Creagh, Esq., and Messrs L. J. da Souza, C. F. Ozorio, and T. E. Davies as a jury, reassembled to-day at the Magistrate.

Every effort had been made by the Police to trace the relatives of the man who was found in the water at Balcher's Bay, but without success. There was no evidence to show how deceased came to be in the water, and the only marks on the body were such as might have been caused by grating against the rocks, or due to the attacks of fish. The Jury in this case returned a verdict of "found drowned."

The enquiry into the death of Ho Ayan, who was admitted into Hospital on the 27th ultimo, suffering from a compound comminuted fracture of the skull, which was the cause of death, was next proceeded with. The four prisoners arrested have been identified, one as having thrown a piece of hard-burnt brick at deceased by which the skull was fractured; the other three with beating the man with bamboo while living on the ground apparently insensitive and bleeding from the head.

Mr A. P. Stokes, of Messrs Sharp, Toller and Johnson, appeared to watch the enquiry on behalf of the relatives of the deceased. The further hearing of the case stands over till Friday next, at 3 o'clock.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN PROBATE.  
(Before the Full Court.)

Wednesday, Feb. 4.

GARDEN T. RONNIS.

The motion by defendant in this case before reported, came again to day for further hearing. Mr Ng Choy, instructed by Mr Denny, for plaintiff; Mr Haylar, Esq., instructed by Messrs Brereton and Wotton, for defendant.

On the Court assembling, the Chief Justice said that in the interests of peace in this matter he had desired to see Mrs Sands and he had desired to express to her privately some views with regard to this case which it was not convenient to state in Court. The lady had thought it her duty not to attend to meet Mr. Justice Francis and himself; she had therefore driven them to consider this matter very fully and to rip up everything that this matter could rip up, and now they had to ask Mr Ng Choy to show what rule or order of the Court Mr Forbes had disobeyed. (Residing.)

"It shall and may be lawful for the Court to order such remuneration as shall be just and reasonable"—stop there; now what was the duty of the Court? The Court had to call on Mr Ng Choy to put his finger on any rule or order of the Court that had been disobeyed. The Court had been in hope that they would not have had to raise this question, but the whole question was now opened.

Mr Ng Choy read the probate which appointed Mr Forbes executor, he having been called and sworn to administer the same and to exhibit into this Court a true full and particular inventory of all the rights and credits of the said deceased before a certain date and to file a true and just inventory of all property and assets before another stated date.

The Chief Justice said the affidavit was not an order of the Court. It was not a rule of the Court. Whether this Court had done right or not in abstaining from framing rules or an order in the matter he was prepared, and Mr Francis was prepared, to say at the proper time.

Mr Ng Choy said that the executor having sworn to file this inventory, his failing to do so at the fixed time destroyed his right to any communication.

The Chief Justice: Is that all you have to rely on?

Mr Ng Choy: Yes, with reference to the remarks that have fallen from your Lordship.

The Chief Justice: We saw all this before, Mr Ng Choy. We wanted to prevent any discussion of this point, and therefore it was we wanted to communicate privately with Mrs Sands; the other side feeling themselves—very properly feeling themselves—justified in consenting; the master being an administrative master that he consented to the Court doing this very unusual thing, very unusual indeed. But Mrs Sands had thought it right.

Mr Ng Choy: Mrs Sands is here today, my Lord.

The Chief Justice: Mrs Sands disbelieved the account of the Court, and she may be here twenty days now; I don't care. She will get justice now; I wanted her to get something better. Suitors should give judges credit for some right feeling. I am happy to say, Mr Ng Achoy, that what we are doing now is in reference to so large a sum that it will quite enable her to go to that Court which she has intimated her desire to go. She has threatened this Court with an appeal to the Privy Council.

I am not afraid of an appeal to that Court. We have too much respect for the Privy Council to fear any appeal to that Court; too much self-respect to fear that threat.

Mr Haylar: Certainly. (Item struck out of account.)

Mr Forbes in his evidence stated that he told Mrs Sands took a great and active interest in the management of her affairs. Mr Kewick told him she had been to see him about these matters; she did not tell him of these; and when there was a dispute between the Slip and two Spanish vessels that had been repeated there, Mr Bailey, her nephew, an employé at the work, with her direct authority—and she had not consulted him (Mr Forbes) in any way—made an attempt at compromise, which was unsuccessful.

These were the main points on which Mr Forbes was examined arising out of his own affidavit. Of the other points on which he was examined one was with regard to the 2nd article of an affidavit of Mrs Sands, in which she said that she had spent large sums of money in the construction of a sea wall and a bridge and in purchasing material which was not necessary considering that by the terms of her husband's will he was bound to dispose of the property and wind up the estate with as little delay as possible after his decease. With regard to the first point, Mr Forbes explained that Mrs Sands knew about the sea wall and the bridge all along, and never had any objection to the same, good taste and good feeling.

Mr Forbes was called by Mr Ng Achoy to further cross-examine on his affidavit, and the first point taken up was with regard to the completion of the Pacific on which there was a loss of \$17,000.

Mr Ng Achoy desired to know how that came about. Mr Forbes only knew what happened in Court.

The Chief Justice sent for the papers in the two cross-actions which arose out of this contract and gave them to Mr Ng Achoy as answer to his question, informing him at the same time that he should have worked up all these points in his case before he (the Chief Justice) had.

Mr Forbes being further examined, said:

"This contract had been made and completed by Mr Sands, and at the time of his death one of these actions was pending. The less had to paid out of his estate. There was another contract on which there was some loss; the firm incurred a penalty for not having a certain vessel ready within contract time. The blame lay on the practical man in the yard who had told him they would be able to complete her by the time named.

With regard to the disposal of the business it came out in Mr Forbes's cross-examination, a brief re-examination, and in his reply to a few questions from the Court, that to his knowledge Mr Sands before his death had spoken frequently of himself amalgamating his business with that of Mr Spratt. When he died therefore it was only quite natural that the Executor should have the same idea in his mind as to the most advantageous course; besides, apart from anything Mr Sands might have said, he himself thought the plan a very good one indeed. It was of course desirable that the Slip, &c., should be kept at work and sold as going concern, and in view of competition and other circumstances he, as Executor, had to take contracts sometimes at lower rates than would allow of any profit.

His view was by means of a company to amalgamate these ventures. Mr Forbes after going carefully into the accounts found that \$135,000 represented the costs of Slip and machinery, including the estimated cost of the building as well as the cost of the new iron swing bridge. He valued MacDonald's new account at \$10,000, independently of the land. Mrs Sands ultimately put the Patent Slip at \$10,000, and the MacDonald Slip at \$15,000 without the land, together \$15,000, the stock to be taken out at valuation, and she was willing to put \$50,000 in stock. On these conditions which were only oral in the latter part of November, Mr Forbes, although believing the price to be high, was willing to do so, and to endeavor to get up a company taking Mrs Sands to say nothing publicly of her intentions for some three months as he would require that time to put affairs in order. Then entered the sharp panic which may be said to have reached its height in December, 1878, and he was advised that it was not a time when one could hope to do anything in the way of floated a company. He wrote Mrs Sands to this effect early in January. The affairs of the estate a month or two afterwards went into the hands of the Courts. The property was eventually sold a short time ago to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, after the testator's affairs were virtually in the hands of the Court, the Court itself having—the Chief Justice sarcastically remarked, very improperly having—something to do with bringing about that sale. It had come to his ears, it was circulated throughout the Colony at the time and startled him when he heard it, that Mrs Sands had stated that she had sold the whole for \$140,000,—rather a Dutch-auction-like proceeding.

With regard to the management and superintendence of the works, which Mr Forbes in his affidavit said he had undertaken and discharged, visiting the works as often as he considered necessary, he explained in cross-examination that he did not interfere with the practical management of the works. He conducted the business of the two works. He could not say how often he visited the works, but he was there now and then. Those in charge reported everything to him and he looked after accounts. He had sometimes three and four hours a day at this Company's affairs. It had been a great inconvenience to himself and his firm. He could not say what pecuniary loss he had incurred; he only believed he would very likely have spent his time to greatest advantage attending to his own business.

Mr Ng Choy: But Mr Forbes was here. He did not come out for this work.

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## THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries* on China and Japan, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The CHINA REVIEW, or Notes and Queries on the Far East, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.00 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Mineralogy, Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago, and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, or Portuguese, are made to present, or reserved in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together under "Notes," their references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries, as are also those queries which though seeking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The China Review for July and August, 1875, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty-paged, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address CHINA REVIEW, HONGKONG—NORTHERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE (U.S.).

Trimmer's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the China Review:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in both as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *Shu King*, by the Rev. E. J. Etel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connexion with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese post-stateman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-yo, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zest to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the China Review may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

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## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *a*, near the Kowloon shore *b*, and those in the body of the shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.  
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From Gas Works to the Norely Iron Works.  
3. From Norely Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

- Section.  
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.  
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name. Anchor- age. Captain. Flag and Rig. Tons. Date of Arrival. Consignees or Agents. Destination. Remarks.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers</b>								
Adria	7 c	Chapman	Brit. str.	782	Feb. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.	P. & O. Wharf	
Bellona	3 b	Ahrens	Ger. str.	789	Feb. 3	Meyer & Co.		
Bombay	2 b	Goggins	Brit. str.	740	Jan. 18	Kwok Acheong		
Chinkiang	3 c	Orr	Brit. str.	739	Feb. 9	Siemens & Co.	Salon	8th, daylight
City of Tokio	4 b	Mauri	Amer. str.	739	Jan. 26	P. M. S. S. Co.	Yahama & S. F. Cisco	7th inst.
Consolation	2 b	Young	Brit. str.	764	Jan. 30	Fu-en Fat Hong	Bangkok	To-day
Douglas	5 b	Young	Brit. str.	864	Jan. 31	Douglas Laytak & Co.	Coast Ports	6th, daylight
Emuay	4 b	Blanco	Span. str.	222	Feb. 2	Remedios & Co.	Amoy and Manila	6th inst.
Esmeralda	5 b	Bulbot	Brit. str.	395	Feb. 4	Russell & Co.	Manila	6th inst.
Fame	6 b	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	.....	H. K. & W. poa Dock Co.		Tug Plying
Glenfinlas	2 w	Wilcox	Brit. str.	1406	Feb. 1	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	6th inst.
Iraounaddy	5 c	Gauvin	Fch. str.	2025	Feb. 1	Messagers Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	To-day
Keunure Castle	7 c	Luck	Brit. str.	1268	Feb. 8	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Shanghai	
Malacca	5 c	Reeves	Brit. str.	1044	Jan. 24	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Nigata Maru	4 c	Walker	Japan. str.	1096	Feb. 5	2 Mitai Bishi M. S. S. Co.	Yokohama via Kobe	7th, daylight
Norma	2 b	Love	Brit. str.	605	May 31	Kwok Acheong		
Olympia	4 c	Nagel	Ger. str.	783	Jan. 22	Rozario & Co.	Saigon	K'loon Dock
Paladin	5 c	Parkes	Brit. str.	897	Jan. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nagasaki	K'loon Dock
Penedo	5 c	Cain	Brit. str.	652	Jan. 30	Molchers & Co.	Saigon	Cos'tan Dock
Sea Gull	2 c	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.		To-day
Tanais	5 c	Marcelle	Fch. str.	1156	Feb. 2	Messagers Maritimes	Yokohama	K'loon Dock
Thales	5 c	Peters	Brit. str.	820	Dec. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		To-day
Yang-tze	5 c	Champenois	Fch. str.	2558	Feb. 3	Messagers Maritimes	Shanghai	
Yottung	2 b	McDouall	Brit. str.	286	Feb. 4	Kwok Acheong	Swatow	
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>								
Alden Besse	4 k	Noyes	Amer. bgo.	842	Dec. 16	Rozario & Co.	Portland	
Alice Reed	3 c	Killerat	Amer. bgo.	873	Dec. 12	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Bonito	4 c	Weisenberg	Ger. bgo.	624	Dec. 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Hu'vre	
Brunetto	7 c	Dow	Brit. bgo.	375	Jan. 20	Geo. Stevens & Co.	Manila	
Bua Caso	2 c	Lange	Siam. str.	833	Jan. 2	Chinese		
Carl	2 c	Thomas	Brit. bgo.	225	Dec. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Charlotte	5 c	Gautier	Fch. bgo.	256	Jan. 24	Carlowitz & Co.		
Chelmsford	2 c	Collins	Brit. bgo.	381	Jan. 28	Edward Schellness & Co.		
Coloma	2 c	Hoyes	Amer. bgo.	852	Jan. 20	Rozario & Co.		
Duke of Abercorn	8 c	Binnie	Brit. str.	1049	Jan. 4	Vogel & Co.	London	
Erama	7 c	Michaelson	Ger. Sun. str.	233	Jan. 23	5 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Empire	7 c	Lecle	Amer. str.	1131	Dec. 5	5 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Glandwurige	4 k	Jones	Brit. bgo.	1081	Jan. 16	Melchers & Co.		
Hattie N. Bangs	4 k	Bangs	Amer. bgo.	655	Jan. 31	St. Captain		
Haydn Brown	7 c	Havener	Amer. bgo.	865	Dec. 11	Melchers & Co.	Taiwan Foo	
Hazel Holme	7 c	Milicent	Brit. bgo.	405	Jan. 29	Vogel & Co.	San Francisco	
Hecla	8 c	Day	Amer. bgo.	1529	Jan. 12	Russell & Co.	New York	
Hermione	4 k	Meyer	Ger. bgo.	360	Feb. 4	Edward Schellness & Co.		
Highlander	4 k	Hutchinson	Amer. bgo.	1352	June 5	Vogel & Co.		
John Nicholson	7 c	Campbell	Brit. str.	685	Dec. 9	Vogel & Co.		
Lady Aberdour	3 c	Hutchinson	Brit. bgo.	287	Jan. 13	Chinese		
Livingstone	4 c	Steffens	Ger. bgo.	539	Jan. 31	Wieland & Co.		
Mabel	5 c	Balest	Amer. bgo.	782	Jan. 16	12 Russell & Co.		
Middlesex	7 c	Walsh	Brit. str.	1191	Dec. 12	Russell & Co.		
Monte Carville	8 c	Clark	Brit. bgo.	584	Jan. 31	Global Livingston & Co.		
Montara	4 c	Schnieders	Ger. str.	98	Jan. 17	Siemers & Co.		
Morning Star	2 b	Michelsen	Siam. bgo.	570	Dec. 27	Chinese		
Moses B. Towe	8 c	Hall	Amer. bgo.	637	Nov. 8	Vogel & Co.		
Orient	4 k	Lemmermann	Ger. bgo.	400	Dec. 29	Edward Schellness & Co.		
Parnass	7 c	Lutys	Brit. bgo.	629	Jan. 28	Siemers & Co.		
Peter	5 k	Moller	Ger. Sun. str.	311	Dec. 22	Charlitz & Co.		
Prince Frederick	4 k	Olegui	Brit. str.	1490	Dec. 29	Vogel & Co.	Taiwan Foo	
Roderick Hay	2 c	Nicolson	Brit. bgo.	230	Jan. 31	Turner & Co.	London	
Spartan	3 k	Vincent	Amer. str.	84	Feb. 27	W. H. Ray, Captain		
Star	3 k	Day	Amer. str.	107	Feb. 5	Ginsell & Co.		
Sumatra	3 k	Clough	Amer. str.	1000	Sept. 1	Melchers & Co.		
Tatar	4 k	Kaemena	Ger. str.	256	Jan. 17	Global Livingston & Co.		
W. A. Holcomb	5 k	Dunton	Amer. bgo.	933	Jan. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		K'loon Dock
<b>WHAMPoa&lt;/b</b>								